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1. ON FURTHER REFLECTION, WE FEEL THAT RECENT SOUTH
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AFRICAN APPROACHES TO US AND UN SECRETARIAT EMPHASIZING
SWAPO TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN NAMIBIA COULD ALSO BE IN-
TENDED TO ESTABLISH A POSITION SUPPORTIVE OF A POSSIBLE
SAG DELAY IN WITHDRAWING SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS FROM
NAMIBIA ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE INCLUDED IN THE
SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL. SAG HAS CONSISTENTLY MAINTAINED
THAT "A CONDITION OF VISIBLE PEACE," WHICH WE HAVE

INTERPRETED AS CONSISTENT WITH THE CEASE-FIRE PROVIDED FOR BY THE SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL, MUST EXIST BEFORE THE SADF COULD COMMENCE ITS WITHDRAWAL. IN DOCUMENTING SWAPO TERRORIST ACTIVITY AFTER THE ADOPTION OF SC 431, SOUTH AFRICA MAY SIMPLY BE ESTABLISHING EVIDENCE THAT THE CONDITION WHICH THEY FEEL TO BE REQUISITE TO WITHDRAWAL DOES NOT EXIST.

2. IN VIEW OF THE MULTIPLE INTERPRETATIONS WHICH CAN BE PLACED UPON RECENT SAG ACTIONS AND STATEMENTS REGARDING

SWAPO, REQUEST EMBASSY PRETORIA OBTAIN JOINT ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION FROM THE AMBASSADORS OF THE FIVE. CHRISTOPHER

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